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St. Joseph Bread of Life—Sacred Heart of Jesus Church—St Paul Church

August 18, 2024 — Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God Is Good! All The Time!







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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday 7:00 am at St Joe's

Wednesday

6:00 pm at St Joe's Confessions 4:45—5:45 pm

Weekends

Saturday at St. Paul's — 4:00 pm Confessions 3:15—3:45 pm

Sunday at Sacred Heart — 8:45 am Confessions Saturday 1pm—2 pm

Sunday at St Joe's — 10:45 am

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PASTOR'S CORNER

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To my Family of Sacred Heart (St. Paul) and St. Joseph/BOL Parishes,

CLEAN UP ON AISLE #5: I am most thankful that my recent tangle with COVID is coming to a happy conclusion. Best I can tell, I didn't give it to anyone (not even my housemate, Fr. Jerry), which makes me happy! It is true that my sinuses were directly responsible for the demise of countless tissues, and it was a mess for the parish staff to try to piece together all that had to be pieced together (especially during Festival weekend), but they did it! A special thanks goes to Deacon Tony for his adept skills in finding priests, on very short notice, to take my place at Mass. Many of you were incredibly generous in hastening my recovery by your prayers, Flocknotes of support, and your deliveries of food and medicine. I'm pretty sure that I received the largest container of chicken soup ever seen by human eyes! Thanks to all. Sickness is a burden that we will never fully be free of during this, our time on earth. But God consistently brings good from bad. I saw that witnessed in you during my days of virus vexation!

A DIFFICULT TRANSITION: We are absolutely making progress in all that must be done to merge and partner our church communities, but it has been a difficult process, hasn't it? Not everyone is sold on the idea that we should be restructuring our churches in the first place, but look, that decision was made for us, so it is pointless to expend energy wishing it had not happened. We do, though, have considerable influence - right now - on shaping the new, retooled, vibrant, Christ-centered, life-giving, disciple-making, poor -serving parishes that we long to be a part of. We want to keep all that is good (and there is already so much good in our parishes). Yet because of our reconfiguration, to get to where we want to be, we must let go of some of what has been. We must change. This is the hard part. St. John Henry Cardinal Newman once said: "To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often." Let's ponder the truth of Newman's words and take hope in what he is promising. Yes, our current moment of change is difficult for you in many respects. As your pastor and spiritual father, I absolutely acknowledge your pain:

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PERPETUAL ADORATION

We are always in need of Committed Adorers in our Adoration Chapel – please sign up for an hour with Jesus! Call or text Geoff and Amber Dietz at (814) 403-3921 to sign up or ask guestions.

> The following 62 hours are also in need of another committed adorer:

12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 6 AM, 8 AM, 9AM, Sunday:

11 AM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM

Monday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 5AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 3 PM,

4 PM, 6 PM, 11 PM

Tuesday: 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 11 PM

Wednesday: 12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM

Thursday: 1 AM, 2 AM, 4 AM, 2 PM, 11 PM

1 AM, 2 AM, 5 AM, 8 AM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, Friday:

9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 2 PM, 3 PM, Saturday:

5 PM, 6 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Please commit to 1 hour



Please Pray For the Following: Please keep the following requests in your conversations with God:

Healing—Rosie, Toni, Matt, Bev, Dave, Eva, Jack, Nicole, Ronnie

Clarity—Charlie

Eternal Rest—Cindy



SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will be burning in memory of Donald Lee Orr, Jr August 11th-August 24th, 2024 Mark and Matthew Matson







THIS WEEKEND:

Saturday 4:00 pm

08/17/24— *Mass at Saint Pauls*

+ Roberta Smith (John & Audrey Reese) + Francesco Scavella, Joseph Abate & Sam

Guerriero (Carbonelli Family)

Sunday

08/18/24—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary

8:45 am (SH)

+ Darlene Kerner (Karen & Dave Nelson)

10:45 am

+ Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes

Monday 7 am

08/19/24—Saint John Eudes

+ James Ronan (LeGolvan Family)

Tuesday

08/20/24—Saint Bernard

7 am

+ Art Frawley (Kim Telliho)

Wednesday

08/21/24—Saint Pius X

6 pm

+ David Falvo (Susan & Sofia Falvo)

+ Ron Dalton (Sharon Bond & Family)

Thursday 7 am

08/22/24—The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin

- Intentions of the Brown Family (Sr Mary Gabriel)

+ Catherine & Carmen Pirrello

Friday

08/23/24—Saint Rose + N/A

7 am

+ Doris Riaazzi (Mark Riazzi)

Saturday 4 pm

08/24/24 * Mass at Saint Paul's*

+ Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes

+ Vince "Cam" Cimino (Josephine "Jaye" Cimino)

There are now 2-3 Mass Intentions during the days because of the partnership and Sacred Heart does not have morning Masses. The top intention is from St. Joe's and the Bottom Intention will be from Sacred Heart/St Paul's.



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- You very much miss Fr. Mark or Fr. Larry
- The Mass time you had grown accustomed to is no longer available
- It doesn't seem fair that you gave your blood, sweat and tears to your parish, but now it's not even really a parish at all
- Friends and fellow parishioners whose presence you've cherished have moved on or become disillusioned
- Things are different and you don't like it
- The Church is such a mess anyway that it's not even worth trying
- Our new priest doesn't understand us and his decisions are hurtful

I'd be shocked if many of you weren't feeling at least one of these things. A few of you may be feeling all of these things! So be it. We must take the next good step forward, though. Otherwise, we will falter, flounder and fail. You do not want that result. Neither do I. Please pray! Please pray for our parishes, our people, for me, for our new partnered parish team, for our departing staff members and for all. Thank you, God bless you, and may we persevere in hope.

Sacred Heart of Jesus – Have mercy on us!

Mary, Mother of God – Pray for us!

Our Lady of Guadalupe – Pray for us!

St. Joseph – Pray for us!

St. Paul – Pray for us!

Fr. Steve

Erie parish offers presentation: What is hospice?

Blessed Sacrament Parish in Erie is offering an educational opportunity about palliative medicine and hospice care — what each offers and how they intersect. Also, hear an update on the Julia Hospice House which is being built in McKean. Karen Adams, who is part of the Julia Hospice & Palliative Care board of advisors and a hospice chaplain, will be the speaker. Karen will give participants insight into the benefit of hospice and how compassionate and loving this pro-life approach can be for loved ones at the end of life. Save the date for this presentation and Q & A on Thursday, August 22 at 7 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1626 W. 26th Street, Erie. The presentation will be in the church.

A Family Perspective

In today's Gospel Jesus speaks of his flesh and blood as life-giving. Parents can identify with this, for they often feel the physical demands of family life; yet children grow in the soil of sacrificial love. Parenting is not part time work. It is a consuming lifetime commitment.



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Serving with Purpose: Washing the Altar Lines at St. Joseph Church



Volunteers are needed to wash the altar linens, a simple BUT important role that ensures the sanctity and purity of the altar for the celebration of the Eucharist.

Washing the altar linens is an act of reverence and devotion. Without clean and immaculate altar linens, the altar, where the sacrifice of the Mass takes place, cannot be set and pristine for

Jesus. It is a duty that holds significance, yet is often overlooked.

Currently, three volunteers are dedicated to this important task, but the need for one more volunteer will ensure that the responsibility can be shared, and the altar linens can be tended to consistently. The commitment is for 3 months per year, but they are not consecutive months.

Altar linen laundering is not only spiritually fulfilling but also simple. While the task may seem mundane, the reward of knowing that you are playing a crucial role in preparing the altar for the celebration of the Eucharist is a very special feeling.

We are welcoming a new volunteer to complete the roster for washing the altar linens. Detailed instructions and a simple recipe to ensure that the altar linens are pure white and immaculate will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Diane in the parish office. Your serving in this matter would be most appreciated.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve.

Help wanted: Housekeeper Needed for Sacred Heart Rectory

We are currently seeking a housekeeper to assist in maintaining the cleanliness of the Sacred Heart Rectory. The position requires 4 hours of work per week and includes basic cleaning duties with no laundry responsibilities.

The primary tasks include general cleaning such as dusting, vacuuming, bathrooms, and keeping all rooms tidy.

If you are interested in this part-time position, please contact Sacred Heart Church at 814-456-6256, or St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Community at 814-452-2982 to express your interest or to obtain further details.

Thank you for considering joining our team and contributing to the upkeep of the Sacred Heart Rectory.



Altar Servers- August 25th

10:45 Michael Brown, Liam, and Xavier Dietz

Lector-August 25th

10:45 Margaret Palmer

Extraordinary Ministers-August 25th

10:45 Deacon Doug, Jack Beaver **Ushers- August 25**th

10:45 Chuck Swantek, Ed Root, Dave Gustafson

Greeters- August 25th

10:45 Donna Snippert, Patty Jarret, Tom Parr, Amy Beaver

Sacristan-August 25th

10:45 Mary/Tim Milloy

Fellowship-August 25th

John Fitzgerald,

Francine Amendola

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WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Number of Households - 367

Offertory \$ 2,851.34 CSA in Envelope 816.00 On-Line Offertory 2.770.00 On-Line CSA 865.00 **Total Income** 7,302.34

Weekly Expense: \$11,522.00

Attendance on Sunday 186

Please remember us in your will! You can help us even after the Lord has called you home! Simply ask your attorney to have the following statement included in your will: I leave St. Joseph Church, Bread of Life Erie, PA, the Community, % of the residue of my estate for its religious, education and charitable works.



CLINT BADOWSKI faithformation@stjoesbol.org OR 570-419-7178

Welcome to our new Religious Ed Directors Clint & Stacev Badowski and his family.





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR OUR 2024-2025 **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR!**



All sessions will be held at St. Joseph BOL Community Center on Sunday mornings from 9:50am-10:40am.

This time was chosen to benefit everyone from our partnered parishes to have catechesis between Liturgies.

Register at:

https://forms.gle/7YhqNzZfTbXXAthRA

or scan the QR code

Someone may say, "You have faith and I have works." Demonstrate your faith to demonstrate my faith to you from my works. James 2:18

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT **OUR PROGRAM** CONTACT CLINT BADOWSKI AT me without works, and I will TRISHMCDAID@STJOESBOL.ORG OR 570-419-7178



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Backpack Blessing + Religious Education Registration Kick Off!

> After Masses August 24th-25th at St. Paul, Sacred Heart, and St. Joseph BOL parishes!

Masses will conclude with a special blessing for children returning to school - bring your backpacks!

Following the backpack blessing, Clint and Stacey will be available for Religious Education Registration and socials!

Clint and Stacey Badowski faithformation@stjoesbol.org



What's going on at St Joe's?

- Bulletin information is due Tuesday by 4 pm. Email Trish the info at trishmcdaid@stjoesbol.org.
- Need volunteers to help with fellowship on Sundays after Mass. Call the parish office.
- Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri Mass at 7 am.
- Wednesday Mass- 6 pm
- Sunday Mass- 10:45
- Clothing Store—Wednesday— 9-11:30
- Food Pantry-2nd & 4th Monday of the month.

WE LOVE HAVING YOU AS a part of our flock!

to get flocknote:



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TO 84576



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Let us run to Mary, and, as her little children. cast ourselves into her arms with a perfect confidence.

-Saint Francis de Sales



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